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TRUSTEES' MEETING

Improvement of Laurel Street and Acacia Avenue Ordered and Building Inspection Proposed

At the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the city of Tropico, Thursday, June 13, all the members and officers of the board were present.

The minutes of the last regular meeting of the board were read and approved as read.

Resolution of the board No. 77 ordering in street work on Laurel street, and inviting proposals for same, read and adopted, as appears in full elsewhere.

Resolution No. 78, ordering in street work on Acacia and Adams street and authorizing the calling of bids for same, read and adopted, as set forth in another column.

An ordinance providing for building inspection was read a first time and laid over a second reading at next regular meeting.

The ordinnace was voluminous and almost the entire session was given to its consideration.

GLENDALE WORKING FOR WATER —GETS PLENTIFUL OFFERS

Is Offered Tropico's Water System For Fifty Thousand Dollars

The citizens of Glendale are proceeding with commendable foresight to connect themselves up to an abundant and dependable water supply.

They are not relying exclusively upon the Verdugo Canyon, but are considering with it the opportunity to supplement their canyon supply from the surplus of Owens river water which the city of Los Angeles is offering for sale.

At the meeting of the city's Board of Water Commissioners, of which John Robert White is chairman and J. C. Sherer secretary, last Thursday night, there were offers or propositions submitted comprehensive of the whole subject.

The first was that of Captain Thom on behalf of the Verdugo Springs Water Company, of which he and Judge Ross are the principal owners, offering their plant to the city at a reasonable figure.

Next was a written offer of Ralph Rogers as manager of the Glendale Consolidated Water Company, dated September 13, 1911, in which he says: "We will sell" to the city the Glendale distributing system, including 39 acres of water-bearing land in Verdugo Park for $110,000.

Or the park and distributing system with a two years' lease on reservoir and pumping plant for $105,000.

Or "We will sell" the distributing system alone for $45,000.

"Or we will sell" the Glendale and Tropico systems with the park, above mentioned, including 1,000 shares of Verdugo Canyon Wtaer, for $160,000.

Next was a proposition from L. C. Brand (by Harry Lynch) to sell his holdings to the city at a price to be fixed by three appraisers, one to be chosen by himself, one by the city and the third by the other two, with the stipulation that the water of Verdugo Canyon, some 500 ten-thousandths of it, may be turned over to the city at the rate of $1,500 per inch.

In conclusion came the offer of Los Angeles to pipe a share of Owens river surplus water to Glendale and sell it to the city at a price yet to be fixed by the city council, now within a very few days. The offer was submitted through Messrs. Blackburn and Goode.

In the course of the evening Mr. Emery, of one of the city's improvement associations read an exhaustive review of the water situation in Verdugo Canyon, dwelling enthusiastically upon the purity, excellence and sufficiency of its supply..

Without reaching any definite conclusion as to a plan of procedure in the premises the meeting adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

In the meantime the commission will obtain the figure at which Los Angeles will furnish its Owens river surplus per inch. And, as well, the probable results of the foreclosure sale of the holdings of the Glendale Consolidated now impending.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public that Black and Stephenson, of Tropico, Cal., have this day separated in the Real Estate business.

And all of the accounts that have not been paid in full for commission on sales made by them are to be paid to W. G. Black, Cor. Park Ave. and Brand Boulevard, Tropico, Cal.

Dated June 3d, 1912.

W. G. BLACK,
ANDY STEPHENSON.

June 11-4t

MACDONALD'S EXPRESS TRANSFER AND STORAGE, 1111 W. BROADWAY, GLENDALE.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

WANTED—A young lady at the Juvenile Shop, 1107 W. Broadway, Glendale. Short hours. Apply between 3 and 5 o'clock to H. H. Faries, manager.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Rice are passing the week in Lindsay.

Competition is the life of the potato trade; or was on Friday last.

Miss Marie Cole is entertaining Miss Bessie Smith of Berkeley, a college friend and classmate.

IF YOU WANT A HOME IN THIS VALLEY, SEE CUNNINGHAM, SUNSET 251-J.

The Chicago grain pit was a baby show alongside of the Tropico "spud pit" on Friday last.

Shall the edict go forth: Let there be light—in Tropico? It is up to the taxpayers to say.

Miss Mabelle Evans-Hough was the honored guest of Mrs. Mabelle Kendall in Burbank on Tuesday.

Mrs. Wayland Chapman, of El Bonito avenue, spent Friday afternoon with friends in Los Angeles.

MACDONALD'S EXPRESS TRANSFER AND STORAGE, 1111 W. BROADWAY, GLENDALE.

It is the sum of duties done in small things that count in the credit column of one's life record on the day of reckoning.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Cook will reoccupy their handsome home at Eulalia and Brand boulevard about the middle of this week.

Business boosting's best factor is vigorous advertising in your local newspaper. So admitted by every successful business man.

If your business is not paying and you see that advertising does not help it any, you should certainly quit advertising; perhaps quit business.

The Board of Trustees, as such, haven't a word to say about giving us an electric lighting system. The only say in the matter is with taxpayers.

Cleone Daniels Bergren, elocutionist and vocalist, late of Sioux City, Ia., is one of Tropico's most recent acquisitions to welcome citizenship.

I WILL BUILD YOUR HOUSE AND TAKE AN AUTOMOBILE IN PAYMENT. J. J. BURKE, 220 BLANCHE AVE., SUNSET 256-J.

The man who lets his personal likes and dislikes disturb his business relations is likely to run his craft against the snag of popular disfavor and suffer injury.

Mr. Mortensen, of Los Angeles, is getting help and material together for a 9-room dwelling in the Richardson Tract, fronting on Brand boulevard.

Mr. and Mrs. James Maxwell on Park avenue, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Radcliffe of Burbank on an automobile trip to San Bernardino on Monday.

To be, or not to be—a city sitting in darkness and gloom. That's the question. If not, and you love the light, rather than darkness, stand up and be counted that way.

Jerome Erskine, who has been confined to his bed for the past two months with a serious illness, is able to be out and around again, rapidly recovering as we are glad to learn.

Master Eugene Imler, Harry Chandler and George Van Hazlin put in the bright hours of Saturday at the "long wharf," returning in season with 157 fish, big and little, each bagging the limit.

Mr. Tom Chapman, of Pueblo, Col., spent a few days last week with his sister, Mrs. Frank V. Ashton, at her beautiful Swiss chalet home on El Bonito avenue. Mr. Chapman is en route to Alaska.

Miss Katherine Hobbs, pianist of the Presbyterian church at Tropico, and of rare musical accomplishments, is in receipt of a beautiful bust of Beethoven, given her by the Union High school as a prize for proficiency in music.

The Baraca Class Boys of the Presbyterian church will have a complete stock of fireworks for the Fourth on sale at a stand on the corner of Laurel and Central avenues. Let everybody patronize them.

The city of Glendale has a population of 5,391, according to the census recently taken. Short of population for a city of the fifth class by 609. A case of pernicious inactivity on the part of some people sure.

Dr. A. M. Duncan's new residence on San Fernando road, next to the old post office, is receiving its finishing touches and will receive its rejoicing future inmates as new citizens of Tropico in a day or so.

Mr. Valdez, of El Bonito avenue, who was recently subjected to a serious operation for appendicitis, has so far recovered from the shock of it as to be at his post again, though much reduced in strength and vitality.

Mr. Taxpayer, if you want the city lighted with electricity, come up and sign for it. Don't hang back any longer. If you want it, say so; if you don't, say so. Be a man or a mouse, or a long-tailed rat, as you prefer.

Contractor Cunningham has completed for Mr. W. C. Kenney the handsome residence on San Fernando road, between El Bonito and Cerritos avenue which Mr. Kenney and family will forthwith proceed to occupy and enjoy.

Mrs. Wayland Brown, of Los Angeles, spent Saturday with Mrs. Wayland Chapman at her charming Swiss Chalet on El Bonito avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Brown have bought one of the new residences on Gardena avenue and will make of it their future home.

Memorial day, Flag day and Children's day were all great days, but children's day was the climax at the Presbyterian church Sunday. Standing room was at a premium and a standing advertisement of the absolute necessity for the proposed Sunday school annex.

Mrs. Ella W. Richardson returned to Palo Alto last week to be and remain with her children until they are released from school duties, when she will return to Tropico and take up her future residence in the place she recently purchased from Arthur Paine on Laurel street.

Barton Ellison, of Tropico, was a soldier in the Union service, living at DeKalb, Mo., in 1863, and is a living witness to the truth of the story told on The SENTINEL'S Memoral page May 28, of the execution of Young Feland near his Missouri home. The story is one only of very many of like import, the scenes of which were there in our old home state.

City Clerk Street and City Marshal Gould devoted themselves most strenuously all last week to getting the house numbering ordinance observed by the inhabitants of Tropico, and with gratifying results. Possibly a few will be haled before the recorder for disobeying the notice, but only a few.

"Flag Day" was celebrated with more than usual interest in Tropico this year. Under the direction of the Woman's Relief Corps, Miss Frances M. Richardson, the "flag lady," told of "The Growth and Triumph of the American Flag." A large crowd was present to hear the lecture, which was an eloquent story of the greatest country of all ages.

Since his removal of the Tropico Market to its more commodious and completely sanitary quarters next to the K. of P. Hall entrance in the Gabaig block, Mr. W. H. Chapman has added a new 10-foot plate glass refrigerating counter to its equipment. With the utmost care in handling his meats for keeping them clean, pure, sweet and sanitary the TROPICO MARKET is now thoroughly up-to-date and metropolitan in its appointments.

Now that the 12-acre lot where Rice Brothers had their citrous nursery, known as the Stepper Tract, has been cleared of young trees, the handsome square is to be subdivided into roomy lots for residence purposes, as we are informed. The frontage of the square is on Central, Cypress and Brand and will afford some of the most desirable residence sites in the city. It is said that the boulevard frontage, in this as well as in the Davenport tract, on both sides the electric line, is to have a block of business houses.

The Baraca class boys will certainly respect the wishes of Mr. Rich and others in their preparations for the Fourth. They are gentlemen and no fears for their disobedience to city law need be felt.

Harry Goldsmith, the amiable and popular solicitor for the Tropico Mercantile Company, took his departure by the seamer Yale, Sunday last for San Francisco, San Jose and other northern points on a two weeks' vacation. In his absence Harry will combine business with pleasure. He will visit fruit centers and make engagements for cherries for the Tropico Mercantile and renew his discipleship of Sir Isaac's band of truth-tellers.

The effort Mr. J. R. Ashton, the Glendale avenue baker, of Tropico, is making to establish a remunerative business, as well as reputation for his bread and confections, not only here, but elsewhere in this valley, is meeting wiht marked success. Equipped with the best and most approved appliances for achievements in his art, he is winning his way rapidly to the front and superceding Los Angeles products in the market. In this he is having the efficient co-operation of Mr. Ed. Myers in charge of his auto delivery service. Both men are tireless in their efforts to please and are devoting themselves industriously to the production of the very best that superior skill and attentiveness are capable of.

VITAL RECORD

BORN to Mr. G. O. and Mrs. Amanda Klang, 516 Oak drive, June 15, 1912, a fine boy.

DIED—At residence, 1520 Oak street, Glendale, June 10, 1912, Adaline Amelia Medcalf, aged 59 years, 4 months and 2 days, a native of Canada. Interment at Forrest Lawn, Tropico.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

First Church of Christ Scientist of Glendale holds services in the Masonic Hall on Brand boulevard Sunday at 11 a. m.; Wednesday, 8 p. m.; Sunday School, 9:30 a. m. Subject for this week's lesson: "Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" Jun-18-tf

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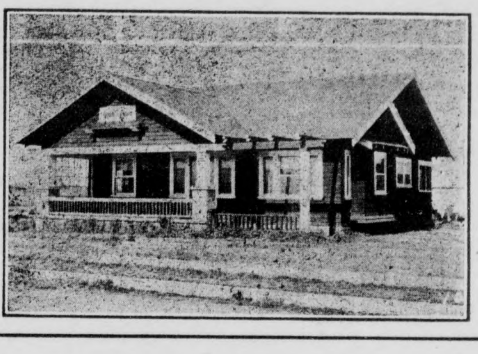

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RESOLUTION OF INTENTION NO. 76

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CITY OF TROPICO DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO IMPROVE A PORTION OF MOORE AVENUE.

The Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico do resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. That the public interest and convenience require and it is the intention of the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico, State of California, to order the following street work to be done in said City, to-wit:

First: That all that portion of Moore Avenue from the Southerly prolongation across Moore Avenue of the East line of Dunbarton Street to the Easterly line of Glendale Avenue, be graded, tamped and oiled in accordance with the plans and profiles on file in the office of the City Engineer, and specifications for the grading and oiling and tamping of streets on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 9.

Second: That a cement curb shall be constructed along each line of the roadway of Moore Avenue from the Southerly prolongation across Moore Avenue of the East line of Dunbarton Street to the Easterly line of Glendale Avenue, including returns at all street intersections, in accordance with the specifications for the construction of cement curbs on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 2.

Third: That a cement sidewalk five (5) feet in width be constructed along both sides of Moore Avenue from the Southerly prolongation across Moore Avenue of the East line of Dunbarton Street to the Easterly line of Glendale, including returns at all street intersections, said sidewalk to be constructed according to the specifications for the construction of cement sidewalks on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 1.

SECTION 2. That the said Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico finds upon estimates directed to be furnished and furnished by the City Engineer of the said City of Tropico, that the total cost of said proposed work or improvement will be greater than fifty (50) cents per front foot along each line of said street so proposed to be improved, as hereinbefore set forth, including the cost of intersection work assessable upon said frontage; and said Board of Trustees determines that serial bonds shall be issued to represent the cost of said work or improvement; said serial bonds shall be extended over a period ending nine (9) years from and after the second day of January next succeeding the date of said bonds, and an even annual proportion of the principal sum thereof shall be payable by coupon on the second day of January every year after their date until the whole is paid, and the interest shall be payable semi-annually by coupon on the second days of January and July respectively of each year, at the rate of seven (7) per cent per annum on all sums unpaid, until the whole of said principal and interest are paid. Said bonds shall be issued in accordance with the provision of an Act of the Legislature of the State of California, entitled "An Act to provide a system of street improvement bonds to represent certain assessments for the cost of street work and improvement within municipalities, and also for the payment of such bonds," approved February 27th, 1893, and of all acts supplementary thereto, or amendatory thereof.

SECTION 3. The Tropico Interurban Sentinel, a weekly newspaper of general circulation, published and circulated in said City of Tropico, is hereby designated as the newspaper in which this Resolution of Intention, and notice of the passage thereof, shall be published in the manner and by the persons required by law.

SECTION 4. The Superintendent of Streets of the said City of Tropico is hereby directed to post notices of the passage of this Resolution in the manner and in the form required by law, and to cause a similar notice to be published by one insertion in said newspaper in the manner required by law.

SECTION 5. The City Clerk of said City of Tropico, is hereby directed to post this Resolution of Intention conspicuously for two days on or near the Chamber Door of the Board of Trustees, and to cause the same to be published by two insertions in the manner required by law, in said newspaper.

Adopted and approved this 6th day of June, 1912.

C. A. BANCROFT,
President of the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico. (SEAL)

Attest: S. M. STREET,
City Clerk of the City of Tropico.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,)
City of Tropico.)ss.

I, S. M. Street, City Clerk of the City of Tropico, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico, State of California, and signed by the President of said Board at a regular meeting thereof held on the 6th day of June, 1912, and that the same was passed by the following vote, to-wit:

Ayes: Bancroft, Conrad, Oliver and Webster.
Noes: None.
Absent: Hobbs.

S. M. STREET,
City Clerk of the City of Tropico.

June 11 and 18, 1912

RESOLUTION OF INTENTION NO. 73

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CITY OF TROPICO DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO IMPROVE A PORTION OF BRAND BOULEVARD.

The Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico do resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. That the public interest and convenience require and it is the intention of the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico, State of California, to order the following street work to be done in said City, to-wit:

First: That those portions of the East roadway and of the West roadway of Brand Boulevard, as said roadways are defined in paragraph second hereof, between the North City boundary line of the City of Tropico and the North line of Park Avenue, including all intersections of streets (excepting such portion of said street and intersections as are required by law to be kept in order or repair by any person or company having railroad tracks thereon) be graded, tamped and oiled in accordance with the plans and profiles on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 9.

Second: That from the North City boundary line of the City of Tropico to the North line of Park Avenue, a cement curb shall be constructed along the East side of the East roadway of said Brand Boulevard, (including returns at all street intersections), 12 feet from the Easterly line of Brand Boulevard (excepting along that portion of the East line of the East roadway along which a cement curb has already been constructed to the official line and grade) and that from the North City boundary line of the City of Tropico to the North line of Park Avenue a cement curb shall be constructed along the West side of the West roadway of said Brand Boulevard (including returns at all street intersections), 12 feet from the West line of said Brand Boulevard, (excepting along that portion of the West line of the West roadway along which a cement curb has already been constructed to the official line and grade.)

The term East Roadway herein mentioned refers to that portion of Brand Boulevard lying between the East line of the right of way of the Los Angeles Interurban Railway and the East line of Brand Boulevard.

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Third: That a cement curb be constructed upon said Brand Boulevard along both sides of the right of way of the Los Angeles Interurban Railway, and to be located twenty-one (21) feet from and parallel with the center line of said right of way. Said above mentioned cement curbs shall be constructed in accordance with the specifications for the construction of cement curbs on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 2.

Fourth: That a cement sidewalk five (5) feet in width be constructed along the West line of Brand Boulevard from the North City boundary line of the City of Tropico to the North line of Park Avenue (excepting along such portions of said Brand Boulevard upon which a cement sidewalk five (5) feet in width has already been constructed to the official line and grade), and that a cement sidewalk four (4) feet in width be constructed along the East line of Brand Boulevard from the North City boundary line of the City of Tropico to the North line of Park Avenue (excepting along such portions of said Brand Boulevard upon which a cement sidewalk four (4) feet or more in width has already been constructed to the official line and grade), said sidewalk to be constructed according to the specifications for the construction of cement sidewalks on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 1.

SECTION 2. That the said Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico finds upon estimates directed to be furnished and furnished by the City Engineer of the said City of Tropico, that the total cost of said proposed work or improvement will be greater than fifty (50) cents per front foot along each line of said street so proposed to be improved, as hereinbefore set forth, including the cost of intersection work assessable upon said frontage; and said Board of Trustees determines that serial bonds shall be issued to represent the cost of said work or improvement; said serial bonds shall be extended over a period ending nine (9) years from and after the second day of January next succeeding the date of said bonds, and an even annual proportion of the principal sum thereof shall be payable by coupon on the second day of January every year after their date until the whole is paid, and the interest shall be payable semi-annually by coupon on the second days of January and July respectively of each year, at the rate of seven (7) per cent per annum on all sums unpaid, until the whole of said principal and interest are paid. Said bonds shall be issued in accordance with the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the State of California, entitled "An Act to provide a system of street improvement bonds to represent certain assessments for the cost of street work and improvement within municipalities, and also for the payment of such bonds," approved February 27th, 1893, and of all acts supplementary thereto, or amendatory thereof.

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President of the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico. (SEAL)

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Noes: None.
Absent: Hobbs.

S. M. STREET,
City Clerk of the City of Tropico.

June 11-18, 1912.

NOTICE INVITING STREET WORK PROPOSALS

Pursuant to statutes, and Resolution No. 78 of the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico, California, adopted the 13th day of June, 1912, directing this notice, the undersigned invites, and will receive, at his office in the City Hall, in the Bank of Tropico Building, located at the junction of Central Avenue and San Fernando Road, in the City of Tropico, up to 7:30 o'clock P. M. of Thursday, June 27, 1912, sealed proposals or bids for the following street work to be done according to the plans and specifications posted and on file, therefor adopted, or herein mentioned, to-wit:

First:—That all that portion of Acacia Avenue from the East line of Brand Boulevard to the Westerly line of Glendale Avenue and from the Easterly line of Glendale Avenue to the Southerly prolongation across Acacia Avenue of the East line of Adams Street, including all intersections of streets, be graded, oiled and tamped in accordance with the plans and profiles on file in the office of the City Engineer of the City of Tropico and in accordance with specifications for grading, oiling and tamping of streets on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 9.

Second:—That a cement curb be constructed along each line of the roadway of said Acacia Avenue from the East line of Brand Boulevard to the Westerly line of Glendale Avenue and from the Easterly line of Glendale Avenue to the Southerly prolongation across Acacia Avenue of the East line of Adams street, excepting along such portions of Acacia Avenue along which a cement curb has already been constructed to the official line and grade. Said curb to be constructed in accordance with the plans and profiles for said work on file in the office of the City Engineer and specifications for the construction of cement curbs on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 2, except that the top of the street face of said curbs lying between the Southerly prolongation across said Acacia Avenue of the East line of Adams Street and the Southerly prolongation across said Acacia Avenue of the Westerly line of Mariposa Street shall be placed fifteen (15) feet from the center line of said Acacia Avenue instead of the distance as provided for in said specifications No. 2. The center line above referred to being the original South lines of Lots Thirty-one (31), Thirty-two (32), Thirty-three (33) and Thirty-four (34) of Watts' Subdivision of a part of the Rancho San Rafael as per map recorded in Book 5, pages 200-201 of Miscellaneous Records of Los Angeles County, California.

Third:—That a cement sidewalk four (4) feet in width be constructed along each side of said Acacia Avenue from the East line of Brand Boulevard to the Westerly line of Glendale Avenue (excepting along such portions of said Acacia Avenue along which a cement sidewalk four (4) feet or more in width has already been constructed to the official line and grade), and that a cement sidewalk five (5) feet in width be constructed along each side of said Acacia Avenue from the Easterly line of Glendale Avenue to the Southerly prolongation across said Acacia Avenue of the East line of Adams Street, said sidewalks to be constructed in accordance with specifications for the construction of cement sidewalks on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 1, except that on said Acacia Avenue between the Southerly prolongation across Acacia Avenue of the East line of Adams Street and the Southerly prolongation across Acacia Avenue of the Westerly line of Mariposa Street, the inner or property edges of said sidewalks shall be placed twenty-five (25) feet either side of the center line of said Acacia Avenue instead of the City of Tropico, said specifications No. 1.

SECTION 2. First:—That Adams Street from the North City boundary line of the City of Tropico to the North line of Acacia Avenue be graded, oiled and tamped in accordance with the plans and profiles on file in the office of the City Engineer of the City of Tropico and in accordance with specifications for the grading, oiling and tamping of streets on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, spaid specifications being numbered 9.

Second: That a cement curb be constructed along each line of the roadway of Adams Street from the North City boundary line of the City of Tropico to the North line of Acacia Avenue; said curb to be constructed in accordance with the plans and profiles for said work on file in the office of the City Engineer and specifications for the construction of cement curbs on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 2.

SECTION 3. That the said Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico finds upon estimates directed to be furnished, and furnished, by the City Engineer of said City of Tropico, that the total cost of said proposed work or improvement will be greater than fifty (50) cents per front foot along each line of said street so proposed to be improved, as hereinbefore set forth, including the cost of intersection work assessable upon said frontage; and said Board of Trustees determines that serial bonds shall be issued to represent the cost of said work or improvement; said serial bonds shall be extended over a period, ending nine (9) years from and after the 2nd day of January, next succeeding the date of said bonds, and an even annual proportion of the principal sum thereof shall be payable by coupon on the 2nd day of January every year after their date until the whole is paid, and the interest shall be payable semi-annually by coupon on the second days of January and July respectively of each year, at the rate of seven (7) per cent per annum on all sums unpaid, until the whole of said principal and interest are paid. Said bonds shall be issued in accordance with the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the State of California, entitled "An Act to provide a system of street improvement bonds to represent certain assessments for the cost of street work and improvement within municipalities and also for the payment of such bonds," approved February 27th, 1893, and of all acts supplementary thereto, or amendatory thereof.

Bidders must file with proposals or bid a check payable to the order of the President of the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico, certified by a responsible Bank, for an amount which shall not be less than ten per cent of the aggregate of the proposal, or a bond for the said amount, and so payable signed by the bidder and two sureties, who shall justify before any officer, competent to administer oaths for double the said amount, and over and above all statutory exemptions.

In bidding use blanks which will be furnished by the City Clerk upon application.

Tropico, California, June 18, 1912.

S. M. STREET,
City Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk of the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico.

June 18-25-2t

NOTICE INVITING STREET WORK PROPOSALS

Pursuant to statutes, and to Resolution No. 77 of the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico, California, adopted the 13th day of June, 1912, directing this notice, the undersigned invites, and will receive, at his office in the City Hall, in the Bank of Tropico Building, located at the junction of Central Avenue and San Fernando Road, in the City of Tropico, up to 7:30 o'clock P. M. of Thursday, June 27, 1912, sealed proposals or bids for the following street work to be done according to the plans and specifications posted and on file, therefor adopted, or herein mentioned, to-wit:

First: That that portion of the roadway of Laurel Street from the East line of Central Avenue to the West line of Brand Boulevard and from the East line of Brand Boulevard to the Westerly line of Glendale Avenue be graded, tamped and oiled in accordance with the plans and profiles on file in the office of the City Engineer, and in accordance with specifications for the grading, tamping and oiling, of streets in the City of Tropico on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 9.

Second: That a cement curb be constructed along both lines of the roadway of said Laurel Street from the East line of Central Avenue to the West line of Brand Boulevard and from the East line of Brand Boulevard to the Westerly line of Glendale avenue, (excepting along such portions of the lines of said roadway upon which a cement curb has already been constructed to the official line and grade) in accordance with the specifications for the construction of cement curbs on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 2, except that the top of the street face of all curbs shall be placed fifteen (15) feet from the property line instead of the distance from the property line provided for in said specifications No. 2.

Third: That a cement sidewalk, five (5) feet in width be constructed along each side of said Laurel Street from the East line of Central Avenue to the West line of Brand Boulevard and from the East line of Brand Boulevard to the Westerly line of Glendale Avenue (excepting along such portions of said Laurel Street upon which a cement sidewalk five (5) feet in width has already been constructed to the official line and grade), said sidewalk to be constructed according to the specifications for the construction of cement sidewalks on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 1.

SECTION 2. That the said Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico finds upon estimates directed to be furnished, and furnished, by the City Engineer of said City of Tropico, that the total cost of said proposed work or improvement will be greater than fifty (50) cents per front foot along each line of said street so proposed to be improved, as hereinbefore set forth, including the cost of intersection work assessable upon said frontage; and said Board of Trustees determines that serial bonds shall be issued to represent the cost of said work or improvement; said serial bonds shall be extended over a period, ending nine (9) years from and after the 2nd day of January, next succeeding the date of said bonds, and an even annual proportion of the principal sum thereof shall be payable by coupon on the 2nd day of January every year after their date until the whole is paid, and the interest shall be payable semi-annually by coupon on the second days of January and July respectively of each year, at the rate of seven (7) per cent per annum on all sums unpaid, until the whole of said principal and interest are paid. Said bonds shall be issued in accordance with the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the State of California, entitled "An Act to provide a system of street improvement bonds to represent certain assessments for the cost of street work and improvement within municipalities and also for the payment of such bonds," approved February 27th, 1893, and of all acts supplementary thereto, or amendatory thereof.

Bidders must file with the proposals or bid a check payable to the order of the President of the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico, certified by a responsible Bank, for an amount which shall not be less than ten per cent of the aggregate of the proposal, or a bond for the said amount, and so payable signed by the bidder and two sureties, who shall justify before any officer, competent to administer oaths for double the said amount, and over and above all statutory exemptions.

In bidding use blanks which will be furnished by the City Clerk upon application.

Tropico, California, June 18, 1912.

S. M. STREET,
City Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk of the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico.

June 18-25-2t

RESOLUTION NO. 77

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ORDERING CERTAIN STREET WORK TO BE DONE ON LAUREL STREET.

The Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico do resolve as follows:

SECTION 1: That the street work herein described is required by the public interest and convenience, and the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico, State of California, hereby orders the same to be done, according to the specifications and plans adopted for said work, and under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets of said City, to-wit:

First: That that portion of the roadway of Laurel Street from the East line of Central Avenue to the West line of Brand Boulevard and from the East line of Brand Boulevard to the Westerly line of Glendale Avenue, be graded, tamped and oiled in accordance with the plans and profiles on file in the office of the City Engineer, and in accordance with specifications for the grading, tamping and oiling, of streets in the City of Tropico on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 9.

Second: That a cement curb be constructed along both lines of the roadway of said Laurel Street from the East line of Central Avenue to the West line of Brand Boulevard and from the East line of Brand Boulevard to the Westerly line of Glendale Avenue, (excepting along such portions of the lines of said roadway upon which a cement curb has already been constructed to the official line and grade) in accordance with the specifications for the construction of cement curbs on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 2, except that the top of the street face of all curbs shall be placed fifteen (15) feet from the property line instead of the distance from the property line provided for in said specifications No. 2.

Third: That a cement sidewalk, five (5) feet in width be constructed along each side of said Laurel Street from the East line of Central Avenue to the West line of Brand Boulevard and from the East line of Brand Boulevard to the Westerly line of Glendale Avenue (excepting along such portions of said Laurel Street upon which a cement sidewalk five (5) feet in width has already been constructed to the official line and grade), said sidewalk to be constructed according to the specifications for the construction of cement sidewalks on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 1.

SECTION 2. That the said Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico finds upon estimates directed to be furnished, and furnished, by the City Engineer of said City of Tropico, that the total cost of said proposed work or improvement will be greater than fifty (50) cents per front foot along each line of said street so proposed to be improved, as hereinbefore set forth, including the cost of intersection work assessable upon soid frontage; and said Board of Trustees determines that serial bonds shall be issued to represent the cost of said work or improvement; said serial bonds shall extend over a period ending nine (9) years from and after the 2nd day of January next succeeding the date of said bonds, and an even annual proportion of the principal sum thereof shall be payable by coupon on the 2nd day of January every year after their date until the whole is paid, and the interest shall be payable semi-annually, by coupon on the second days of January and July respectively of each year, at the rate of seven (7) per cent per annum on all sums unpaid, until the whole of said principal and interest are paid. Said bonds shall be issued in accordance with the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the State of California, entitled "An Act to provide a system of street improvement bonds to represent certain assessments for the cost of street work and improvement within municipalities, and also for the payment of such bonds," approved February 27th, 1893, and of all acts supplementary thereto, or amendatory thereof.

SECTION 3. The Tropico Interurban Sentinel, a weekly newspaper of general circulation, published and circulated in said City of Tropico, is hereby designated as the newspaper in which this resolution and notice of said work inviting sealed proposals shall be published in the manner and form and by the persons required by law.

SECTION 4. The City Clerk of the City of Tropico is hereby directed to post conspicuously for five days on or near the chamber door of the Board of Trustees, in the manner and form required by law, a notice with specifications inviting sealed proposals or bids for doing said work; and said City Clerk is hereby directed to publish for two days in said newspaper hereby designated as aforesaid, in the manner and in the form required by law, a notice of said work inviting sealed proposals or bids for doing said work, and referring to the specifications posted or on file. Said notice shall require a certified check or bond, either, as prescribed by law, and for an amount not less than ten per cent of the aggregate of the proposal. Said City Clerk is also hereby directed to publish this resolution for two days in the manner required by law in said newspaper designated for that purpose, as aforesaid.

Adopted and approved this 6th day of June, 1912.

(SEAL) C. A. BANCROFT,
President of the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico.

Attest: S. M. STREET,
City Clerk of the City of Tropico.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,)
City of Tropico.)ss.

I, S. M. Street, City Clerk of the City of Tropico, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly passed by the Board of Trustees of the said City of Tropico, State of California, and signed by the President of said Board at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 6th day of June, 1912, and that the same was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Bancroft, Conrad, Hobbs, Oliver and Webster.
Noes: None.
Absent: None.

S. M. STREET,
City Clerk of the City of Tropico.

June 18-25-2t

RESOLUTION NO. 78

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ORDERING CERTAIN STREET WORK TO BE DONE ON ACACIA AVENUE AND ADAMS STREET.

The Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico do resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. That the street work herein described is required by the public interest and convenience, and the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico, State of California, hereby orders the same to be done, according to the specifications and plans adopted for said work, and under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets of said City, to-wit:

First:—That all that portion of Acacia Avenue from the East line of Brand Boulevard to the Westerly line of Glendale Avenue and from the Easterly line of Glendale Avenue to the southerly prolongation across Acacia Avenue of the East line of Adams Street, including all intersections of streets, be graded, oiled and tamped in accordance with the plans and profiles on file in the office of the City Engineer of the City of Tropico and in accordance with specifications for grading, oiling and tamping of streets on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 9.

Second:—That a cement curb be constructed along each line of the roadway of said Acacia Avenue from the East line of Brand Boulevard to the Westerly line of Glendale Avenue and from the Easterly line of Glendale Avenue to the Southerly prolongation across Acacia Avenue of the East line of Adams Street, excepting along such portions of Acacia Avenue along which a cement curb has already been constructed to the official line and grade. Said curb to be constructed in accordance with the plans and profiles for said work on file in the office of the City Engineer and specifications for the construction of cement curbs on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 2, except that the top of the street face of said curbs lying between the Southerly prolongation across said Acacia Avenue of the East line of Adams Street and the Southerly prolongation across said Acacia Avenue of the Westerly line of Mariposa Street shall be placed fifteen (15) feet from the center line of said Acacia Avenue instead of the distance as provided for in said specifications No. 2. The center line above referred to being the original South lines of Lots Thirty-one (31), Thirty-two (32), Thirty-three (33) and Thirty-four (34) of Watts' Subdivision of a part of the Rancho San Rafael as per map recorded in Book 5, pages 200-201 of Miscellaneous Records of Los Angeles County, California.

Third:—That a cement sidewalk four (4) feet in width be constructed along each side of said Acacia Avenue from the East line of Brand Boulevard to the Westerly line of Glendale Avenue (excepting along such portions of said Acacia Avenue along which a cement sidewalk four (4) feet or more in width has already been constructed to the official line and grade), and that a cement sidewalk five (5) feet in width be constructed along each side of said Acacia Avenue from the Easterly line of Glendale Avenue to the Southerly prolongation across said Acacia Avenue of the East line of Adams Street, said sidewalks to be constructed in accordance with specifications for the construction of cement sidewalks on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 1, except that on said Acacia Avenue between the Southerly prolongation across Acacia Avenue of the East line of Adams Street and the Southerly prolongation across Acacia Avenue of the Westerly line of Mariposa Street, the inner or property edges of said sidewalks shall be placed twenty-five (25) feet either side of the center line of said Acacia Avenue instead of the distance provided for in said specifications No. 1.

SECTION 2. First:—That Adams St. from the North City boundary line of the City of Tropico to the North line of Acacia Avenue be graded, oiled and tamped in accordance with the plans and profiles on file in the office of the City Engineer of the City of Tropico and in acordance with specifications for the grading, oiling and tamping of streets on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tropico, said specifications being numbered 9.

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SECTION 3. That the said Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico finds upon estimates directed to be furnished, and furnished, by the City Engineer of said City of Tropico, that the total cost of said proposed work or improvement will be greater than fifty (50) cents per front foot along each line of said street so proposed to be improved, as hereinbefore set forth, including the cost of intersection work assessable upon said frontage; and said Board of Trustees determines that serial bonds shall be issued to represent the cost of said work or improvement; said serial bonds shall extend over a period ending (9) years from and after the 2nd day of January next succeeding the date of said bonds, and an even annual proportion of the principal sum thereof shall be payable by coupon on the 2nd day of January every year after their date until the whole is paid, and the interest shall be payable semi-annually, by coupon on the second days of January and July respectively of each year, at the rate of seven (7) per cent per annum on all sums unpaid, until the whole of said principal and interest are paid. Said bonds shall be issued in accordance with the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the State of California, entitled "An Act to provide a system of street improvement bonds to represent certain assessments for the cost of street work and improvement within municipalities, and also for the payment of such bonds," approved February 27th, 1893, and of all acts supplementary thereto, or amendatory thereof.

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Adopted and approved this 13th day of June, 1912.

(SEAL) C. A. BANCROFT,
President of the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico.

Attest: S. M. STREET,
City Clerk of the City of Tropico.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,)
City of Tropico.)ss.

I, S. M. Street, City Clerk of the City of Tropico, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly passed by the Board of Trustees of the said City of Tropico, State of California, and signed by the President of said Board at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 6th day of June, 1912, and that the same was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Bancroft, Conrad, Hobbs, Oliver and Webster.
Noes: None.
Absent: None.

S. M. STREET,
City Clerk of the City of Tropico.

June 18-25-2t

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THE WAY OF A MAN

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"God! Woman, have you no mercy!"

She sat and pondered for yet a time as though seriously weighing some question in her mind.

"But you have taught me to think, John Cowles. It is you who have begun my thinking, so now I must think. I know we cannot tell what may happen. I ask you, John Cowles, if we were brought to that state which we both know might happen—if we were here all alone and no one came, and if you loved me—ah, then would you promise forever and forever to love me till death did us part—till I was gone back into the flowers? I remember what they say at weddings. They cling one to the other, forsaking all others, till death do them part. Could you promise me in that way? Could you promise me, clean and solemn? Because I would not promise you unless it was solemn and clean and unless it was forever."

It seemed that I saw into her heart. I dropped my hands from my eyes and looked at her strangely, my own brain in a whirl, my logic gone. All I knew was that then or elsewhere, whether or not rescue ever came for us, whether we died now or later, there or anywhere in all the world, I would, indeed, love her and her only, forsaking all others until, indeed, we were gone back into the sky and flowers, until we whispered again in the trees, one unto the other. Marriage or no marriage, together or apart, in sickness or in health—so there came to me the stern conviction—love could knock no more at my heart, where once she had stood in her courage and her cleanness. Reverence, I say, was now the one thing left in my heart. Still we sat and watched the sun shine on the distant white topped peaks. I turned to her slowly at length.

"Ellen," I said, "do you indeed love me?"

"How can I help it, John Cowles?" she answered bravely. My heart stopped short, then raced on, bursting all control. It was long before I could be calm as she.

"You have helped it very long," I said at last quietly. "But now I must know. Would you love me anywhere, in any circumstances, in spite of all? I love you because you are You, not because you are here. I must be loved in the same way always."

She looked at me now silently, and I leaned and kissed her full on the mouth.

She did not rebel or draw away, but there was that on her face, I say, which left me only reverent. Her hand fell into mine. We sat there plighted, plighted in our rags and misery and want and solitude. Though I should live twice the allotted span of man, never should I forget what came into my soul that hour.

After a time I turned from her and from the hills and from the sky and looked about us at the poor belongings with which we were to begin our world. All at once my eye fell upon one of our lighter robes, now fairly white with much working. I drew it toward me, and with her still leaning against my shoulder I took up a charred stick, and so laboriously I wrote upon the surface of the hide these words of our covenant:

"I, John Cowles, take thee, Ellen Meriwether, to be my lawful wedded wife, in sickness and in health, for better or for worse, till death do us part."

And I signed it and made a seal after my name.

"Write," said I to her; "write as I have written."

She took a fresh brand blackened at the end and in lesser characters wrote slowly letter by letter:

"I, Ellen Meriwether, take thee, John Cowles, to be my lawful, wedded husband"— She paused, but I would not urge her, and it was moments before she resumed—"in sickness and in health, for better or for worse"— Again she paused, thinking, thinking and so concluded, "till death do us part."

"It means," she said to me simply as a child, "until we have both gone back into the flowers and the trees."

I took her hand in mine. Mayhap book and bell and organ peal and vestured choir and high ceremony of the church may be more solemn, but I, who speak the truth from this very knowledge, think it could not be.

"When you have signed that, Ellen," I said to her at last, "we two are man and wife, now and forever, here and any place in the world. That is a binding ceremony, and it endows you with your share of all my property, small or large, as that may be. It is a legal wedding, and it holds us with all the powers the law can have. It is a contract."

"Do not talk to me of contracts," she said. "I am thinking of nothing but our—wedding."

Still mystical, still enigma, still woman, she would have it that the stars, the mountains—the witnesses—and not ourselves, made the wedding. I left it so, sure of nothing so much as that, whatever her way of thought might be, it was better than my own.

"But if I do not sign this?" she asked at length.

"Then we are not married."

She sighed and laid down the pen. "Then I shall not sign it—yet," she said.

I caught up her hand as though I would write for her.

"No," she said; "it shall be only our engagement, our troth between us. This will be our way. I have not yet been sufficiently wooed, John Cowles!"

I looked into her eyes and it seemed to me I saw there something of the same light I had seen when she was the masked coquette of the army ball—the yearning, the melancholy, the mysticism, the challenge, the invitation and the doubting—ah, who shall say what there is in a woman's eye! But I saw also what had been in her eyes each time I had seen her since that hour. I left it so, knowing that her way would be best.

"When we have escaped," she went on, "if ever we do escape, then this will still be our troth, will it not, John Cowles?"

"Yes, and our marriage when you have signed, now or any other time."

"But if you had ever signed words like these with any other woman, then

Again she paused, and so concluded, "Till death do us part."

it would not be our marriage nor our troth, would it, John Cowles?"

"No," I said. And then I felt my face grow ashy cold and pale in one sudden breath!

"But why do you look so sad?" she asked of me suddenly. "Is it not well to wait?"

"Yes, it is well to wait," I said. She was so absorbed that she did not look at me closely at that instant.

Again she took up the charred stick in her little hand and hesitated. "See," she said, "I shall sign one letter of my name each week until all my name is written! Till that last letter we shall be engaged. After the last letter, when I have signed it of my own free will and clean and solemn—clean and solemn, John Cowles—then we will be—Oh, take me home—take me to my father, John Cowles! This is a hard place for a girl to be."

Suddenly she dropped her face into her hands, sobbing.

She hid her head on my breast, sore distressed now. She was glad that she might now be more free, needing some manner of friend, but she was still—what? Still woman! Poor Saxon I must have been had I not sworn to love her fiercely and singly all my life. But yet—

I looked at the robe, now fallen loose upon the ground, and saw that she had affixed one letter of her name and stopped. She smiled wanly. "Your name would be shorter to sign a little at a time," she said, "but a girl must have time. She must wait. And see," she said, "I have no ring. A girl always has a ring."

This lack I could not solve, for I had none.

"Take mine," she said, removing the ring with the rose seal. "Put it on the other finger—the—the right one."

I did so, and I kissed her. But yet—

She was weary and strained now. A pathetic droop came to the corners of her mouth. The palm of her little hand-turned up loosely as though she had been tired and now was resting. "We must wait," she said, as though to herself.

But what of me that night? When I had taken my own house and bed beyond a little thicket that she might be alone, that night I found myself breathing hard in terror and dread, gazing up at the stars in agony, beating my hands on the ground at the thought of the ruin I had wrought, the crime that I had done in gaining this I had sought.

I had written covenants before! The strength and sweetness of all this strange new life with her had utterly wiped out my past, had put away as though forever the world I once had known. Until the moment Ellen Meriwether began the signing of her name I swear I had forgotten that ever in the world was another by name of Grace Sheraton. I may not be believed—I ought not to be believed—but this is the truth, and the truth by what measures my love for Ellen Meriwether was bright and fixed, as much as my promise to the other had been ill advised and wrong.

Far rather had I been beneath the sod that moment, for I knew, since I loved Ellen Meriwether, she must not complete the signing of her name upon the scroll of our covenant!

CHAPTER XVII.

The Loss of Paradise.

THE question of food ever arose for settlement, and early the next morning I set out upon a short exploring expedition. There were trout in our little mountain stream, and although we had no hooks or lines, I managed to take a few of these in my hands, chasing them under the stones. I shook the bullet pouch at my belt and found it light. We had barely two dozen bullets left, and few hunters would promise themselves over a dozen head of big game for twice as many shots. I cast about me in search of red cedar that I might make a bow. I searched the willow thicket for arrow shafts and prowled among little flints and pointed stones on the shores of our stream seeking arrow points. It finally appeared to me that we might rest here for a time and be fairly safe to make a living in some way. Then, as I was obliged to admit, we would need to hurry on to the southward. But again fate had its way with us, setting aside all plans. When I returned to our encampment, instead of seeing Ellen come out to meet me as I expected, I found her lying in the shade of the little tepee.

"You are hurt!" I cried. "What has happened?"

"My foot," said she, "I think it is broken!" She was unable to stand. Walking along the stony creek bank she had slipped, and her moccasined foot, caught in the narrow crack between two rocks, had been held fast as she fell forward.

So now it was my turn to be surgeon. Tenderly as I might, I examined the foot, now badly swollen and rapidly becoming discolored. In spite of her protest, although I know it hurt me more than herself, I flexed the joints and found the ankle at least safe. Alas! A little grating in the smaller bones, just below the instep, told me of a fracture.

"Ellen," said I to her, "the foot is broken here—two bones, I think, are gone."

She sank back upon her robe with an exclamation as much of horror as pain.

"What shall we do?" she murmured. "I shall be crippled! I cannot walk! We shall perish!"

"No," I said to her; "we shall mend it. In time you will not know it has happened." Thus we gave courage to each other.

Now, when she was thus helpless and suffering, needing all her strength, how could I find it in my heart to tell her that secret which it was my duty to tell? How could I inflict upon her a still more poignant suffering than this physical one? Each morning I said to myself: "Today, if she is better, I will tell her of Grace Sheraton. She must know." But each time I saw her face I could not tell her.

Each day she placed a clean white pebble in a little pile at her side. Presently there were seven.

"John Cowles," she said to me that morning, "bring me our writing, and bring me my pen. Today I must sign another letter." And, smiling, she did so, looking up into my face with love showing on her own. Had the charcoal been living flame and had she written on my bare heart she could not have hurt me more.

On the fifth week she called once more for her charcoal pen and signed the last letter of her Christian name.

"See, there," she said; "it is all my girl name, E-l-l-e-n." I looked at it, her hand in mine.

"Ellen!" I murmured. "It is signature enough, because you are the only Ellen in the world." But she put away my hand gently and said, "Wait."

She asked me now to get her some sort of cut branch for a crutch, saying she was going to walk. And walk she did, though resting her foot very little on the ground. After that daily she went farther and farther, watched me as I guddled for trout in the stream, aided me as I picked berries in the thickets, helped me with the deer I brought into camp.

"You are very good to me," she said, "and you hunt well. You work. You are a man, John Cowles. I love you."

But hearing words so sweet as these to me, still I did not tell her what secret was in my soul. Each day that other world seemed vaguer and farther away.

Each day, too, it seemed less worth while to speak. Now I could not endure the thought of losing her.

(Continued next week)

To Keep Milk.

A little carbonate of soda or fifteen grains of carbonate of magnesia put into a quart of milk will preserve it. Scalding by placing it in bottles or jugs in cold water and bringing it to the boil will also keep it. If the bottles are immediately corked when taken out of the boiling water the milk will keep some time, but should be used directly the bottles are uncorked.

For the Glue Bottle.

To save trouble, after opening a bottle of glue or cement rub mutton tallow upon a sound cork before inserting it in the bottle.

This prevents the cork from sticking fast, only to be broken in small bits when an attempt is made to remove it.

Man's Muscles.

There are more than 500 separate muscles in the body, with an equal number of nerves and blood vessels.

CRIMES AND CASUALTIES

Otto Muller, a rancher, was shot and probably fatally wounded in Stockton by an employe, Frank Thomas, after a quarrel. The men had separated in anger and Thomas ran into the house and secured a shotgun, with which he shot Muller in the right side. Thomas fled, but was captured after a five-mile chase by neighbors.

While trying to dodge small fragments of rock falling from a passing skip on the twenty-ton cable at the Great Western Power dam, Antonio San Juan, a Spanish boss, crouched under an overhanging ledge of rock. A small piece of gravel hitting the huge projection dislodged a six-ton bowlder that had been loosely clinging to the wall. The bowlder fell six feet on San Juan, instantly crushing out his life.

On a charge of murder Rev. Charles Emelius, a Lutheran minister, has been arrested in New Sweden, Me. He is accused of having killed his father-in-law, August Jacobson, in June, 1911. Emelius, who is about 30 years old, came to New Sweden a year ago. Last fall he married Jacobson's daughter. August Jacobson, a prosperous farmer and leading citizen of New Sweden, was found dead in a clump of trees on his farm on June 12, 1911.

Wearing white handkerchiefs as masks, two strangers strode into the saloon owned by Comat Szozzasazi at 1343 Fourteenth street, Oakland, and told the barkeeper and five other men who were in the place to throw up their hands. The six occupants hastily complied. They were then lined up against the wall, and the bandits got about $35 in cash from them. Then, backing out, their guns leveled at their victims, they said "Good night" and disappeared in the darkness.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKET

Latest Conditions and Prices of Seasonable Products of California

FRUITS—Apples, per bx: Newtown Pippins, 4-tier, $1.10@1.25; do, 3½-tier, $1.25@1.40; do, 4½-tier, $1@1.10; No. 2, all varieties, 50@65c.

Figs—Per crate, $3.50@3.75.

Peaches—Per crate, $1.40@1.65.

Apricots—Per crate, $1.25@1.50.

Cherries—Per bx: White, 40@50c; Black, 75@90c; Royal Ann, 70@80c; bulk, 5@8c.

Watermelons—Per lb, 5c.

Cantaloupes—Per crate: Specials, $1; Ponies, $2.75@3; Standards, $4.

Strawberries—Longworths, per chest, $5@8; Banner, $7@9; Malindas, $5@7.

Gooseberries—Per lb, 9@10c.

Blackberries—Per crate, $1.50@1.75.

Raspberries—Per crate, $1.50@1.75.

Loganberries—Per chest, $7@8.

Currants—Per chest, $6@9.

POTATOES—Per ctl: River Burbanks, $1.35@1.50; Salinas Burbanks, $1.35@1.60; Lompoc Burbanks, $1.35@$1.60; Early Rose, $1.25@1.50; Watsonville Burbanks, $1.25@1.60; Oregon Burbanks, $1.60@1.85; New Potatoes, $2@2.35.

VEGETABLES—Tomatoes, per bx, Mexican, $2@2.25; do, per crate, $1.85@$2; Garlic, new, 3½@4c per lb; Cucumbers, per crate, Imperial Valley, large bx, $1.50@2; do, crates, 75c@$1; Egg Plant, per lb, 7@8c; String Beans, per lb, 4@6; Wax Beans, 4@6c per lb; Green Peas, per sk, $1.25@1.65; Peppers, per lb, Bell, 8@9c; do, Green, 5c; Carrots, per sk, 40@60c; Celery, per crate, $3@3.50; Asparagus, per bx, 75c@$1; Cauliflower, 50@60c per doz; Lettuce, per doz, 10@15c; Rhubarb, per bx, Strawberry, 90c@$1; do, Winter Crimson, 75@80c; Summer Squash, per crate, 75c@$1; do, lug bxs, $2@$2.50; Green Corn, per doz, 25@65c.

Onions—Per ctl: Oregon, 90c@$1.25; Bermuda, $1.35@1.50; Green Onions, 50c per bx; California, new, per sk, Red, 60@75c; Silverskin, 65c@80c.

HAY—Per ton: Fancy Wheat, $20@$22; No. 1 Wheat or Wheat and Oat, $18@20; No. 2 Wheat or Wheat and Oat, $15.50@17.50; Choice Tame Oat, $17@19; other Tame Oat, $12.50@$16.50; Wild Oat, $12.50@15.50; Stock Hay, $9.50@11.50; Alfalfa, $11@13.

New crop, per ton—Alfalfa, $10@11.

FEED—Mixed Feed, per ton, $25@$27; Calfalfa Meal, jobbing, per ton, $20.50; carload lots, $19.50; Shorts, per ton, $29@31; Rolled Oats, $41@42; Modesto Alfalfa Meal, $19.50 per ton, car lots; jobbing, $20.50; Mealfalfa, per ton, carload lots, $19.50; jobbing, $20.50. Oilcake Meal—Mill rates, in 20-ton lots, $42 per ton; 10-ton lots, $42.50; 5-ton lots $43; small quantities, $43.50. Prices are subject to change without notice. Straw, per bale, 50@75c; Middlings, per ton, $33@$35; Bran, per ton, $27.50@28.50; Rolled Barley, per ton, $35@37; Cracked Corn, choice stock, per ton, $43@44; Feed Corn Meal, choice grades, per ton, $43@44; Cocoanut Cake, in lots of 20 and 10 tons, $26.50; 5 tons, $27; less quantities, $27.50. Prices are net cash, mill rates, and are subject to change without notice.

POULTRY—Per doz: Hens, small, $4@5; do, large, $5@6; do, extras, $8@$10; old Roosters, $4; young Roosters, $9@10; do, full grown, $10@12; Fryers, $8@9; Broilers, large, $4@5; do, medium, $3@3.50; do, small, $2@$2.50; Ducks, old, $4@5; do, young, $6@7; Pigeons, old, $1.50@1.75; do, young, $1.50@1.75; do, Squabs, $1.50@$2.50; Geese, per pr, $2@2.50; Turkeys, per lb, nominal.

GAME—Nominal; Belgian Hares, $5@$8 per dozen.

DAIRY PRODUCE—Butter, 28½c; Eggs, 21c.

GENERAL NEWS EVENTS

The equipment of all Army transports with rafts and lifeboats sufficient to accommodate all on board is provided for by a House bill which passed the Senate.

The Methodist preachers of Chicago have agreed that hereafter they would refuse to marry divorced persons who decline to grant ten days for the examination of their records.

The automatic revolver which was found in the Lynn (Mass.) marshes near the spot where the body of George G. Marsh, the wealthy soap manufacturer, was discovered April 11th, has been identified, so the police allege, as one bought by William A. Dorr in Stockton, Cal.

The largest forest fire in Nevada within ten years is raging west of Carson. Fanned by a high wind, it has reached ranches within a mile of the city. Already thousands of acres have been burned over and fire fighters can do nothing unless the wind subsides. The city's water supply is threatened.

In order that he might reach Washington by the time an important bill came up before one of the Congressional committees, L. Tenny Peck, the Honolulu capitalist, paid the $250 fine imposed by the Government on a steamship company, whose foreign liners carry passengers between American ports.

The Tacoma anti-treating ordinance is valid, the Supreme Court ruled, in upholding a conviction in a Tacoma Justice Court. It was shown that a saloonkeeper had served drinks to two persons and one had paid for the liquor. The Court says regulation of treating is permissible and that it is not violating any right of any individual.

All-day evangelistic services with a "free lunch" thrown in were held at the Methodist Church of the Redeemer, Baltimore, under the direction of Rev. E. T. Liddell, a revivalist. Rev. Mr. Liddell could go to that city only for a single day, and it was determined to occupy every minute of the day and evening. Then the question of noontime and evening meals came up and there was a problem until the Ladies' Aid Society, through its president, Mrs. Willard Barton, offered to provide a hot luncheon and a cold supper.

While Mrs. John Alexander Dowie, widow of the late "Prophet" Elijah II, has been living in poverty, often in actual want, in her cottage in Zion City, watching the grave of her husband for fear his successor, Wilbur Glenn Voliva, will have it removed, a fortune in the name of Alexander Dowie has been lying idle in a bank at Edinburgh, Scotland. Every Saturday afternoon for several years before his death Dowie sent a check for a large sum of money to his foreign bank. It is believed he sent several hundred thousand dollars in this manner without saying a word to his wife. Only one servant knew, and this servant has told the story.

IMPORTANT FOREIGN NEWS

There has been a heavy fall of snow in Nottinghamshire, England. Roads are covered with lumps of ice and the fruit crop is badly damaged.

Fifty-nine field laborers were burned to death while asleep in a barn near Tambow, Central Russia, on a property of Count Orlorff Davydoff.

Belgium's coal output in 1911 was 23,125,140 tons; the decrease of 802,000 tons from 1910 was due to the new nine and one-half hour miners' day.

The Presbyterian General Assembly of Canada, in session at Edmonton, Alberta, has voted unanimously to enter into an organic union with the Methodist and Congregational churches of Canada.

The Duke of Sutherland, who is now in Canada, claims to have interested other members of the British aristocracy in his favorite plan of buying and subdividing Canadian farm land for settlement.

Ever since Tolstoy's death the members of his family have been at sixes and sevens about the disposal of the great novelist's estates and literary property. Now, owing to the friendly offices of some prominent lawyers, a complete arrangement of the differences has been effected.

As a further investigation only confirmed the impossibility of recovering the bodies of the crew of the submarine Vendemiaire, which sank off the Cherbourg peninsula June 8, the Minister of Marine, M. Delcasse, visited the scene aboard the armored cruiser Gloire to pay homage to the dead.

A committee of experts recently valued the cutlery and kitchen utensils of the Shah of Persia at $25,000,000. No other court in the world, not even Spain, has such an elaborate combination of pots and pans. They all have a coating of gilt on the inside. Even the plainest of the utensils in the Shah's kitchen is of silver.

The Chinese Assembly at Canton has denounced the action of the Governor of Canton in putting martial law into effect. According to dispatches the brutality that has occurred in the various cities is horrible. Executions are taking place at Wu Chow. The Government troops are firing volleys at the victims from a distance of only five yards and their mutilated bodies are left in the streets for pigs and dogs to devour.

TERSE CALIFORNIA NEWS

Supervisorial district No. 2 of Sonoma county, which has been "wet," went "dry" by a vote of 1636 to 1196.

California's oldest State Normal School is making extensive preparations for the celebration of its golden jubilee during the week of June 17th to 22d in San Jose. The greatest assemblage yet held of its graduates is expected.

The Greater San Francisco idea appears to have acquired considerable popularity with San Francisco citizens, if the fact that 3000 buttons were sold in one day at 50 cents per button to aid in bringing it into existence may be taken as an indication.

The officers of the California Christian Endeavor Union have preparations under way for the annual State convention which will be held this year at Fresno from June 29th to July 3d. It is expected that there will be an attendance of about 3000 registered delegates.

For the fifth time within the past year the voters of Burlingame defeated a bond issue for $50,000 for the construction of schoolhouses within the town limits. At the present time there is not a schoolhouse within the limits of Burlingame, and it will now be necessary to house the children in vacant stores or houses.

As a result of a long and bitter fight between the open and closed town advocates, gambling was eliminated in Vallejo saloons by a decisive vote of close to 2 to 1 in the recent election there. The proposed ordinance to increase the saloon license from $400 a year to $1000 was defeated by more than a 2 to 1 vote.

After a warfare of weeks, the officials of the Tulare County Beekeepers' Association report that the last stands of bees infected with European foul brood have been destroyed and that the apiaries of that county are now in a perfectly healthy condition. What disposition has been made of the diseased hives the officers profess not to know, other than that they are no longer within the borders of Tulare county.

Abe Ruef lost out before the Prison Directors of San Quentin in the first step of his campaign for a parole. By a vote of three to one, the directors decided against a suspension of the rules in order to place Ruef's application on the calendar so that it could be heard at the next monthly meeting. The Prison Directors decided that Ruef must serve half of his term—seven years—before an application for a parole will be considered.

The State Supreme Court upheld a judgment rendered in the Superior Court of San Diego by which the Spreckels Brothers' Commercial Company, an organization controlled by John D. and Adolph Spreckels, is ordered to pay $10,000 personal damages to E. O. Worley, a longshoreman formerly employed by the company. Worley was engaged, with others, in unloading the steamer Nevada on July 20, 1909. He was struck by a heavy iron bar and sustained internal injuries of a serious nature.

Frank Vanes, 15 years old, was found guilty of murder in the second degree because of his having shot and killed his father near Compton, Cal., last April. He will be sentenced by Judge Wilbur of the Los Angeles Juvenile Court. The boy is liable to a sentence of ten years. Although the defense claimed that the shooting was accidental, the boy said the verdict of the jury which found him guilty was "all right." An effort will be made to have Frank's younger brother, Roy, who was present at the shooting, sent to the reform school.

Mrs. M. S. Ingram of Anaheim is recovering from a shock received when she leaped into a well to save her three-year-old daughter. Mrs. Ingram, her husband and their three children went to inspect a ranch several miles from the city. She and the children visited an old well. The little girl slipped through the boarding, and the mother instantly jumped in after her. She managed to keep herself and her child above the surface of the water until help was summoned. She suffered a nervous shock, but the little girl was not harmed at all.

The Industrial Workers of San Diego tried to hold a street meeting, but when Mrs. Laura P. Emerson, who has been active in the agitation, attempted to address the crowd, a police sergeant stepped up and induced her to desist. The sergeant was very polite. He touched his helmet and informed her very quietly that for the present at least street oratory could not be permitted. Taking her arm, he escorted her from her improvised rostrum. Meanwhile other policemen kept the crowd moving. In a few moments the attempted demonstration was at an end.

According to announcements made from semi-official circles the San Jose Board of Supervisors proposes to adopt at its next meeting a set of regulations which will practically put the Santa Clara county roadhouses, which are largely patronized by joy riders from the bay cities and San Jose, out of commission. The plan is to do away with all dancing by putting on a prohibitive license. Side and family entrances will also be strictly under the ban. It is claimed that this action comes as the result of a heavy prohibition vote at the recent local option election. A strict watch is to be kept on all the resorts by the county officials and a stiff addition made to the quarterly license.

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TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 1912

TAXPAYERS AROUSED

Campaign For Electric Light Inaugurated

CITY TRUSTEES TO BE MEMORIALIZED TO ISSUE

$25,000 Five Per Cent Bond For City Electric Lighting System

Public spirit is at last in the ascendant in the old town and new city of Tropico.

Past differences are forgotten and only present duties remembered.

Fast falling to the rear in the municipal Marathon we are having with adjacent communities, our taxpayers are "coming to the front" and entering upon a vigorous campaign of rescue from utter failure and disgrace by being distanced.

At a mass meeting representatively attended by the taxpayers of the city, at the city hall, last Saturday night, MATTHEW M. ESHELMAN was commissioned to circulate a petition for the signatures of a majority of the taxpayers of the city on the last assessment roll, memorializing the city Board of Trustees to pass an ordinance calling an election to authorize an issue of $25,000 of the 5 per cent bonds of the city to be applied as far as necessary to the acquisition and installation of a city-owned electric lighting system.

In circulating this petition Mr. Eshelman was authorized and directed to assure the taxpayers asked to sign the memorial that,

1. The cost of polls, wires, transformers and installation complete for present lighting of the entire city, including the purchase price of the Brand system now in use in part of the city, will not exceed $20,000.

2. That with the present number of subscribers for electricity from the Brand system the rate would be reduced from 15 cents per kilowatt, its present rate to about 150 consumers, to not more than 12 cents per kilowatt and, with 300 consumers, to not more than 9 or 10 cents per kilowatt; a continuous reduction to be made as consumers or subscribers multiply.

This is exactly as it was with Glendale at the start (12 cents per kilowatt.) It is also as it is with Glendale now. That is, the rate will be reduced, as subscribers increase.

SELLING PRICE FIXED ON TROPICO WATER COMPANY AT $50,000

Shall Glendale Buy It or Does Tropico Want It?

We ascertained incidentally, through a letter from Ralph Rogers to Glendale city authorities, made public last Thursday, that the Glendale Consolidated Water Company's price to Glendale for the Tropico Water Company is $50,000. The capital stock of the Tropico Water Company is $25,000, and there is a deed of trust on the company's property to the Title Guarantee & Trust Company of Los Angeles to secure the payment of $24,-[illegible]0 of the company's bonds, understood to be held by L. C. Brand. Included with the property of the company covered by this deed of trust a pledge of $24,000 of the bonds of the Glendale Consolidated Water Company to secure to Mr. Brand the payment of his bonds of the Tropico company.

The offer to sell Glendale includes other property at the aggregate price of $160,000. But there would be no objection to its segregation and sale to Tropico at the same figure we presume. That is, we presume Glendale Consolidated would turn its stock, in the Tropico Water Company over to the city of Tropico for consideration in cash or its equivalent of $25,000, subject to the deed of trust to secure the Brand issue of bonds, which the ctiy would be expected to assume and agree to pay.

But this proposition is not even tentatively presented to the city of Tropico, though it may be ultimately.

We have given the matter publicity only for what it is worth as information.

Possibly Tropico does not care to concern itself with the question and prefers to give Glendale an open and unhindered right of way to buy up the Tropico company and take the place of the Glendale Consolidated in serving the city and its inhabitants with water. It's up to them to determine.

JUST TREATMENT DEMANDED BY MASS MEETING OF CITIZENS AT HANDS OF LOS ANGELES POSTAL AUTHORITIES

At the Chamber of Commerce meeting last Saturday evening the following preamble and resolution was read and unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The city of Tropico was annexed to Los Angeles for United States postal service through the Los Angeles office only, on the clear and explicit understanding that "Free Delivery" would be at once extended over the entire city, and

Whereas, A limited part of the city only is favored with such "Free Delivery," and is thereby unjustly discriminated against, therefore

Be it resolved by the citizens of Tropico in this mass meeting assembled, that Postmaster W. H. Harrison of Los Angeles be and is hereby earnestly petitioned to take the necessary steps for the extension of the free delivery of mail matter to all and every part of the city, whether far or near, and with equal fairness to all.

LADY'S LIBERAL OFFER TO TROPICO FOR CITY LIBRARY

Mrs. Ella W. Richardson, widow of the late Elkanah W. Richardson, the deceased pioneer of Tropico, is at present sojourning at Palo Alto that her children may have the immediate benefit of the atmosphere of Stanford and other schools of the vicinity. On being apprized of the steps our city is taking for the establishment of a city library and of the difficulty in the way of providing for it a suitable home and permanent accommodations, she has come readily to the rescue.

On Central avenue, directly opposite the city hall and adjoining the Presbyterian church, is a parcel of ground fronting 90 feet on the avenue and 150 feet deep. Of this spacious parcel of land Mrs. Richardson has succeeded to the ownership. She is offering it for the city's use as its library building site. Not only that, but she is offering to erect upon it a first-class library building with rest room, club room, study room and other conveniences.

All she will ask in return is a reasonable rental; a fair interest on her investment. She does not claim being a rival of Carnegie, but professes a willingness to do all her moderate means will justi[illegible] her in doing for the good of Trop[illegible] in honor of the memories of the father and grandfather of her children, which they in their lifetime had so close at heart.

While there is to be no crowding for room in the building proposed, the area of the ground offered also affords ample opportunity for the exercise of artistic tastes in attractive floral gardening, with shades and sheltered arbors and nooks and retreats for mental rest and recreation.

Certainly the offer is complete and satisfactory in every respect. There is no doubt of its acceptance.

FLAG DAY OBSERVANCE

Under the auspices of the Woman's Relief Corps of Tropico, "Flag Day" was celebrated in a manner that gave great satisfaction and a high degree of pleasure to all who were fortunate enough to be at G. A. R. hall on the afternoon of the 14th.

The Corps was fortunate enough to secure the attendance of Miss Frances M. Richardson (the "Flag Lady," as the children over the State call her), who told her far-famed story, "The Growth and Triumph of the American Flag." It is a story that every child should hear, for in its hearing there could not help but be born in the heart, a patriotic spirit, even though lying dormant before.

Miss Richardson illustrates her story with a display of flags;—flags representing every part of our nation's growth and history—from the time Columbus planted the Cross on our shores, to the time that "Old Glory" was flung to the breeze by patriotic hands one hundred and thirty-five years ago.

With the display of each flag she related its history, giving the causes that led to its adoption, and with its history was interspersed many a pathetic tale that brought tears to the eyes of all.

For more than two hours she kept her listeners spellbound, and they would willingly have sat two hours longer could she have continued, but other engagemnts interfered, and the only consolation is, that stories are oft-times repeated, and there is hope that she may come to us again and relate the beautiful story. If Tropico should every be so fortunate as to welcome her again, those who do not take advantage of the opportunity offered to hear her, will be throwing away one of the greatest treats of life, for we think we can say, truthfully, that Miss Richardson's talk on the 14th, both from an educational and interesting standpoint, excelled anything previously offered.

The "Story of the Flag" is replete with patriotism and pathos, and the telling it to a school, as Miss Richardson tells it—would bring greater results than months of historical study;—for—aside from the educational, there is a patriotic spirit to inculcate, which receives growth with the very thought that "Our Flag" is revered by all nations; that it is a banner that has never been trailed in the dust, but has "grown in glory every day since it was first set flying in the breeze with but thirteen stars thereon."

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GRAND AFFAIR

The open meeting by the Fraternal Brotherhood, Wednesday night last, was one of the most successful and enjoyable affairs given in Tropico. 250 accepted the invitation of the lodge and the following program was rendered:

Piano Solo.........Miss Alice Vance
Remarks................F. H. Davis
Piano Solo..........Miss Viola Ritter
Piano Solo......Miss Rose Doschner
Remarks...............L. M. Appleby
Remarks..........Gen. Adolph May
Piano Solo....Miss Anna Augspurger
Whistling Solo..Mrs. T. V. Watterson, of Eagle Rock
Solo..............Miss May Flanders

Drill

by the lodge Drill Team. This was the crowning event of the evening and was the cause of many compliments by those present. The team has only been organized during the past six weeks. Mr. Brown, the captain, was warmly congratulated by all for the excellent showing made and expects to have the winning team of the county. Refreshments were served and then dancing was the order.

SHORT-CIRCUITING OVERCOME ACROSS LUCIN CUT-OFF

San Francisco, June 11.—Announcement was made here today of an appropriation of $125,000 to cover the cost of installing an alternating current automatic block signal system across the famous Southern Pacific Lucin cut-off. The installation of this alternating current will be necessary, it is thought by the railroad officials, should any part of the present block system become useless because of the short-circuiting, which is a possibility on account of the heavy deposits of salt in the vicinty of the Great Salt Lake.

The proposed work calls for the installation of the alternating current system for a distance of twenty miles across the fills in the lake on the east side of the long trestle, and for approximately twenty-four miles on the west side of the trestle. All of the land on the west side of the trestle contains a large percentage of salt which acts as a conductor of electricity and is a probable cause of short-circuiting, which would affect the block system.

The power for operating the east end of this new alternating current system will be supplied from the Southern Pacific shops at Ogden. A special power plant at Lemay, Utah, will be built to take care of the west end of the alternating system. At times, during storms on Great Salt Lake, the water dashes over the fills and in some places the pure salt forms upou the road bed as much as half an inch in thickness. Work on this new system will begin shortly and it is expected to have it in operation within about eight months.

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